

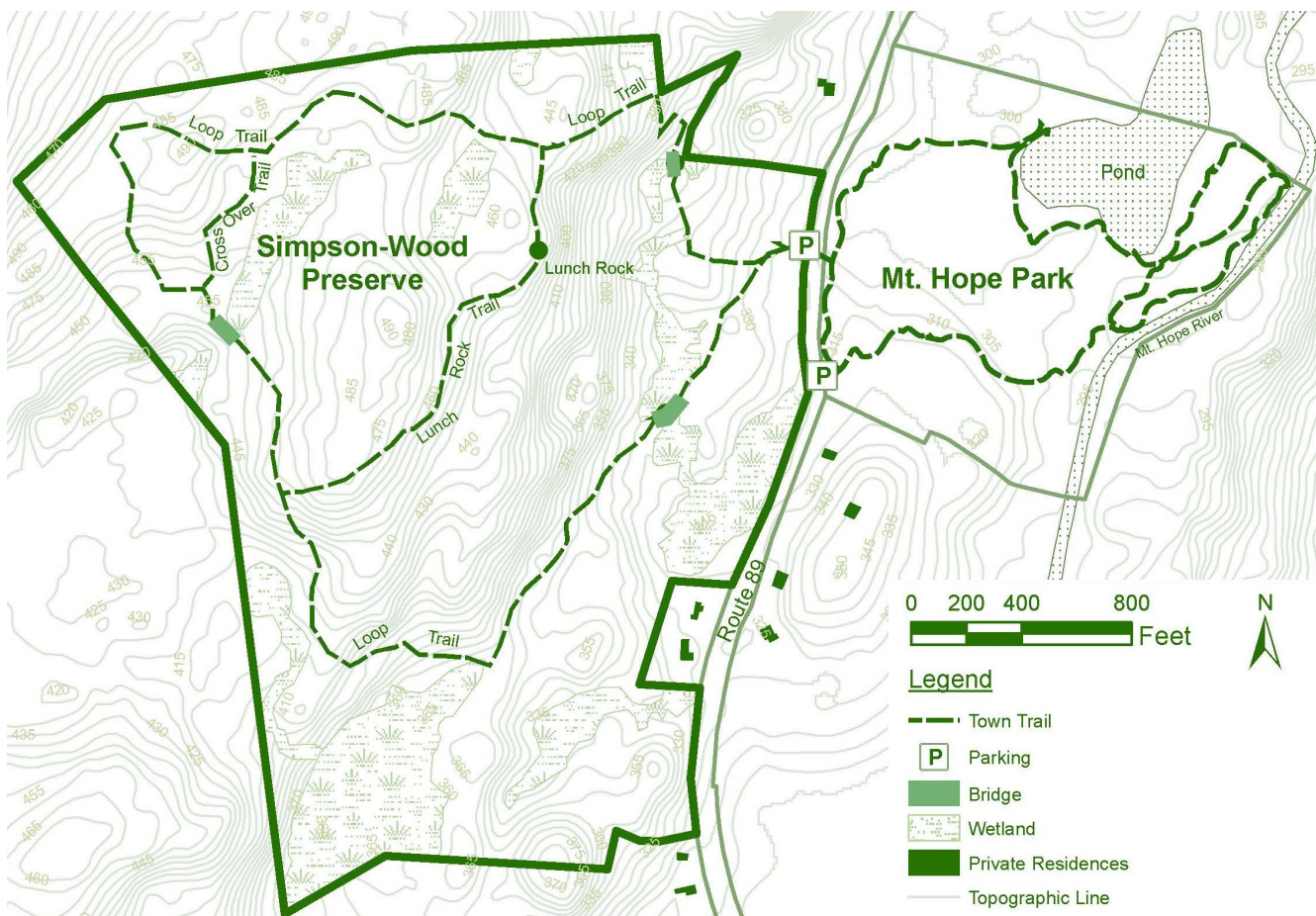
# Simpson-Wood Preserve

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So named because the Simpson family owned the Preserve's land from 1963 until they sold it to the Town in 2018. The Preserve was part of a larger property owned by the Wood family and its descendants, who lived here after they received it as part of a pre-Revolutionary land grant (from approximately 1719 to 1939). With approximately 2 miles of trails, your hike through this 114-acre preserve begins with a gentle climb to a loop trail that brings you to views of steep ledges and diverse wetland systems before a steep climb to the mostly level highlands. In addition to the marked trails, there are numerous other game paths, old farm roads, and logging trails.

The land on which you hike is the territory of the Mohegan and Nipmuc Peoples who have stewarded this land throughout the generations. We thank them for their strength and resilience in protecting this land, and aspire to uphold our responsibilities according to their example.



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## Directions

Access the preserve from Rte. 89 (Warrenville Rd.) approximately 3.5 miles north of the junction of Rte. 195. A three-car parking lot is located on the left. If this lot is full, park at Mt Hope Park across Route 89 and follow the trail that parallels Rte. 89 to the end of the guardrail. Please use caution crossing the road to the Simpson-Wood Preserve Trail entrance.